
MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Kirk Beck, Kathye Crumley, Paul Van Doren, Christina Duran, Shirley Hanagan, Nancy Hart, Cindy Jensen, Gurumantra Khalsa, Jeff Kraus, Wil Lopez, Taffi Romero, Melvin Ryman, Lorraine Saint, Erin Snyder, Nancy Sturmer, and John E. Williams

Members Excused: Sally Cernie, Susie Doss and Albert Figueroa

Members Unexcused:

Guests: Chris Mac Arthur, Norm Gritton, Pat Ryman, Arnold San Miguel, and Doris Williams

Staff: Eva Yakutis, Housing & Neighborhoods Manager

1. Call to Order/Introductions –

Chairperson Romero called the meeting to order at 6:51 PM.

2. Approval of Minutes for November 5, 2007 –
(Khalsa/Snyder/carried)

3. Visiting Councilmembers –

- a. Ward 5 Councilman Elect Chris Mac Arthur – Will be holding his first neighborhood meeting on December 4, 2007

4. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Transportation Plan Update –

Arnold San Miguel: The Regional Transportation Plan, or RTP, is a compendium of policies, strategies, and projects that serve as the long-range transportation action plan for the six-county region. The Draft 2008 Regional Transportation Plan is a multi-modal, half-trillion dollar plan presenting a vision for a better transportation system, integrated with the best possible growth pattern for the region over the plan horizon of 2035. This Plan contains \$568.9 billion worth of projects, in nominal (or year-of-expenditure) dollars. This is equal to roughly \$300 billion in 2007 dollars. This Draft Plan has been developed in collaboration with agencies from across the region, including our 14 subregions. A large part of the Plan is the project list, which contains projects submitted by each county transportation commission and the Imperial Valley Association of Governments.

5. Concerns from Visiting Neighbors –
None

6. Housing and Neighborhoods Report –

- a) Attendance Report – Michael Pierpoint is off the RNP due to personal commitments

- b) Neighborhood Association Letter Status and c) Letter to update Neighborhood Data Base –
Eva passed out the letter and asked the members for their input, the following were the groups recommendations:
Jeff—The letter should ask for secondary contact.
John— Typing error in the first question, should read “your” rather than “you”.
Shirley— Include a deadline date for the letter to be returned.
- c) SCNP hosted by the City of Riverside – In February the City of Riverside will host the Quarterly SCNP meeting.

7. Subcommittee Reports –

- a. Bylaws: Gurumantra – no report
- b. Marketing Committee:
Cindy – Marketing video is a good idea. She suggested to board that perhaps RCC students could help with video production.
Christina – Suggested the assistance of James Trotter from Charter Cable to produce marketing video.
- c. Neighborhood Awards: no report
- d. Neighborhood Conference: Set date for meeting as soon as possible
- e. Neighborhood Matching Grant Committee: Last day to submit application is December 11 and subcommittee will meet on December 26.

8. Future Agenda Items –

Invite new councilmembers to the January meeting.

9. Other Items/Public Comment –

Erin: Heritage House Event on December 9 from 11am – 4pm
Went over the Park and Recreation Calendar for the month of December.
Nancy: Cypress Springs grand opening on December 16.
New Galleria at Tyler movie theaters and restaurants grand opening on December 15.
Jeff: On December 7, 10 a.m. is the grand opening of the MLK on ramp. The fly-over will take place a few days later.
Shirley: Would like her address not included on the RNP roster. Asked that an updated roster be distributed at the next meeting. 3rd annual Jewish Festival of lights on Wednesday December 9 and the court house steps
Lorraine: Hispanic Chamber holiday mixer on Wednesday December 9.

10. Next Meeting: January 7, 2007 – Mayor’s Ceremonial Room

11. Adjournment –